

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

### **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): A network connection presence/absence judging method of judging whether a computer apparatus is connected to a network, wherein, ~~the network connection presence/absence judging method comprising:~~

~~a step of detecting positional information of predetermined data included in an external device connected to the network, the positional information being described in a hypertext read from a storage medium;~~

~~a step of displaying, in accordance with the hypertext, a connection presence/absence judgment screen including a message indicating that the predetermined data is displayed in a predetermined position when the computer apparatus is connected to the network; and~~

~~a step of displaying, when the predetermined data is successfully acquired from the external device, the predetermined data in the predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen, and displaying, when the predetermined data is not successfully acquired from the external device, alternative data decided in advance in the predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen~~

the computer apparatus performs the operations comprising:

reading hypertext data, stored in a storage medium not connected to the network, that includes data for displaying a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including a network connection presence/absence judgment column indicating whether the

computer is connected to a network and a document indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column, and includes positional information indicating a position of external image data displayed in the network connection presence/absence judgment column acquired via the network other than positional information data indicating a position of a link destination to be displayed corresponding to a user request;

displaying a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including the network connection presence/absence judgment column and the document indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column on the basis of the read hypertext data, and detecting a positional data indicating a position of external image data acquired via the network; and

displaying an external image on the basis of the external image data in the network connection presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can be acquired via the network, and displaying an alternative image preliminarily set in the network connection presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can not be acquired via the network.

2. (currently amended): ~~A data structure for judging whether a computer apparatus is connected to a network, the data structure comprising:~~

~~a message tag that is a tag for describing, when the computer apparatus is connected to the network, a message indicating that predetermined data is displayed in a predetermined position; and~~

~~a positional information tag that is a tag for describing positional information of the predetermined data included in an external device connected to the network, and~~

~~the data structure causing the computer apparatus to execute:~~

~~a step of detecting positional information of the predetermined data on the basis of the positional information tag;~~

~~a step of detecting the message based on the message tag and displaying a connection presence/absence judgment screen including the message; and~~

~~a step of displaying, when the predetermined data is successfully acquired from the external device on the basis of the positional information, the predetermined data in the predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen and displaying, when the predetermined data is not successfully acquired from the external device on the basis of the positional information, alternative data decided in advance in the predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen~~

A computer apparatus configured to determine whether the computer apparatus is connected to a network, comprising:

a data reading unit configured to read hypertext data, stored in a storage medium not connected to the network, that includes data displaying a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including a network connection presence/absence judgment column indicating whether the computer is connected to a network and a document indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column, and includes positional information indicating a position of external image data to be displayed in the network connection presence/absence judgment column acquired via the network other than positional information data indicating a positions of a link destination to be displayed corresponding to a user request;

a display unit configured to display a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including the network connection presence/absence judgment column and the document

indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column on the basis of the read hypertext data, and configured to detect a positional data indicating a position of external image data acquired via the network;

wherein the display unit is configured to display an external image on the basis of the external image data on the network connection presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can be acquired via the network, and is configured to display an alternative image preliminarily set in the network connection presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can not be acquired via the network.

3. (currently amended): ~~A storage medium for storing a data structure for judging whether a computer apparatus is connected to a network, — the data structure comprising:~~

- ~~—— a message tag for describing, when the computer apparatus is connected to the network, a message indicating that predetermined data is displayed in a predetermined position;~~
- and
- ~~—— a positional information tag for describing positional information of the predetermined data included in an external device connected to the network, and~~
- ~~—— the data structure causing the computer apparatus to execute:~~
- ~~—— a step of detecting positional information of the predetermined data on the basis of the positional information tag;~~
- ~~—— a step of detecting the message based on the message tag and displaying a connection presence/absence judgment screen including the message; and~~
- ~~—— a step of displaying, when the predetermined data is successfully acquired from the external device on the basis of the positional information, the predetermined data in the~~

~~predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen and displaying, when the predetermined data is not successfully acquired from the external device on the basis of the positional information, alternative data decided in advance in the predetermined position in the connection presence/absence judgment screen~~

A computer readable recording device storing a computer program for executing a method on a computer apparatus, comprising:

reading hypertext data, stored in a storage medium not connected to the network, that includes data for displaying a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including a network connection presence/absence judgment column indicating whether the computer is connected to a network and a document indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column, and includes positional information indicating a position of external image data displayed in the network connection presence/absence judgment column acquired via the network other than positional information data indicating a position of a link destination to be displayed corresponding to a user request;

displaying a network connection presence/absence judgment screen including the network connection presence/absence judgment column and the document indicating a meaning of the network connection presence/absence judgment column on the basis of the read hypertext data, and detecting a positional data indicating a position of external image data acquired via the network; and

displaying an external image on the basis of the external image data on the network connection presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can be acquired via the network, and displaying an alternative image preliminarily set in the network connection

presence/absence judgment column, if the external image data can not be acquired via the network.